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Gave President Perez Godoy Kennedy letter 4 p.m. today and informed him existence and extent Soviet-Cuban threat as outlined reference telegram. He agreed instruct Peruvian Representatives Washington, OAS and UN support US Representatives.

However, would not commit Junta to approve US draft resolution (not yet received here) respect action under article 8 Rio de Janeiro Pact which he recognized immediately involved use of armed force. Similarly would not commit himself respect Peruvian active participation although he took note of possibility.

General reaction was inability grasp extent of threat to world peace which he saw only in terms Soviet domination Cuba which USG should "rub out as Russians would rub out any similar attempt US establish bases Finland." Repeated efforts my part make him understand nature Soviet departure from its policy of opposition to proliferation nuclear weapons failed meet response indicative of understanding this

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aspect.

Pressed me hard on extent of information concerted nature and violence of attacks on other Governments as well as on US persons and property. Expressed belief that Communist efforts Peru would be sporadic and lacking in organization and force although seemed extremely concerned with peasant land invasions in Cuzco-La Convencion area. Did not ask for riot control equipment now. (I believe he knows that we know that Junta has adequate stocks on hand.) He asked instead for immediate shipment unspecified amount earth-moving equipment including bulldozer to equip batallion to be moved into Cuzco-area in order establish presence there while carrying out road construction activities necessary open new lands for Indian settlement. I offered only take note his anxiety this point and report.

I believe we can rely on Peruvian support up to use of armed force against Cuba. At that point however they will probably let us go it alone although refraining from critical opposition.

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